

Our "Woman of the Year" . . .



CONNIE WOODRUFF

Thursday, April 5, 1984

6:00 P.M.

TOWN and CAMPUS

340 Pleasant Valley Way

West Orange, New Jersey

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This Is Connie Woodruff!

What makes Connie run is a question often asked about our 'Woman of the Year.' The answer is simple: a lifelong love affair with people of all ages, colors, creeds, social and economic levels.

Her high school yearbook from Newark's South Side High carried this prediction: Applaud a talented girl. Unquestionably she has lived up to that prediction as journalist, educator, labor leader, politician and community activist. But the bottom line for her as a teenager and adult, has been service to people. Her volunteer service to any and all types of groups is legendary. The cry is, if you want it done, call Connie Woodruff.

She epitomizes and is a role model for contemporary woman who successfully manage home, career and community involvement.

Woodruff was an organizer, educational director, business agent and Director of Community Relations for the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, AFL-CIO for 20 years and in 1978, joined the faculty at Essex County College, as a teacher of Labor Studies. Since 1979 she has been the college Director of Public Relations and Development.

She was appointed to the first of four terms as chair of the New Jersey Commission on Women in 1975 by former Governor Brendan Byrne, a position she continues to hold. She has been elected to consecutive terms on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Commissions for Women since 1976 and is serving a second term as the groups national vice president. She will be a candidate for president at NACW's national convention in June 1985. NACW has a membership of 10,000 men and women serving on 200 local and state commissions for women.

Woodruff travels extensively lecturing on womens issues, communications, labor and politics and the impact on women and minorities. She serves as director and member of such diverse groups as the NAACP, NOW and the Women's Political Caucus, National Association of Negro Business and Professional Womens Clubs.

In 1975 she represented New Jersey at the first International Womens Year Conference in Mexico City and was an alternate to the Houston conference in 1977. She will be a member of the U.S. delegation to Nairobi, Kenya in 1985 to conclude the United National Decade for Women.

Woodruff holds degrees from the State University of New York (Empire State College) and Rutgers University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. She is a member of the Alumni Associations of both institutions as well as a number of other professional groups.

Under her leadership the N.J. Commission on the Status of Women has initiated many statewide seminars on workshops dealing with Women and Alcohol, Battered Women, Male-Female Relationships, Impact of Mid-Life Crisis, Women Offenders and the Criminal Justice System and Black-Jewish Relationships in a Changing World. Three years ago she introduced a community-wide Teenage Sexuality workshop for elementary and high school students in the Greater Newark area.

At the present time she is working to raise the national consciousness about incest, preserving the dignity of Older Americans and world and national hunger.

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and
CONGRATULATIONS CONNIE AS
"WOMAN OF THE YEAR"
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"THE WOMAN OF THE YEAR"
AND MANY THANKS!

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